

MICHIGAN REHABILITATION SERVICES

An Overview

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MRS Mission

MRS partners with individuals and employers
to achieve quality **employment**
outcomes & **independence**
for persons with disabilities.



everywhere

36 field offices - serving 83
counties

Which Department?

- A. **Department of Ed?**
- B. **JOB COMMISSION?**
- C. **labor and Economic Growth?**
- D. **Licensing and Regulatory Affairs?**
- E. **Department of Human Services?**



State-Level Interagency Agreement

- Between MDE/OSE and MRS
- Created November 2011
- Renewed July 2014
- About joint mandate and working together

MRS Process

- ① Apply for services
- ② Determine eligibility
- ③ Develop plan for employment
- ④ Follow the plan
- ⑤ Finding a job
- ⑥ Employment → Case closure

FIRST

individual has a physical or mental **impairment**

ELIGIBILITY?

SECOND

results in a **substantial**
impediment to employment

THIRD

require VR services to achieve an employment
outcome consistent with their abilities & capabilities

FOURTH

able to **benefit** from MRS services
in term of an employment outcome.

MRS Services

Vocational
Guidance &
Counseling

Transition
Services

Job
Coaching

Individualized

Assessment

Rehabilitation Technology

Job Retention
Services

Job Placement

Target ▶ Mutual Gains



Agreements and partnerships that create **long-term value** in a manner that's **satisfactory to all** parties.

Collaboration

Customers benefit

Expand services

Expand the resource pie

Common interests



Resourcing Options



Interagency Cash Transfer Agreements



Third Party Cooperative Agreements



Private Contributions





Leverage & ROI

27% non-Federal

73% Federal



Innovative Programs

MTSA/MRS Collaborative Project

DNR/ MRS Summer Project

MSU Collaborative Career Project

Adjudicated Youth

PERT Program

MRS/MTSA Collaborative Project

- MTSA Donation Creates Fund Source
- 3rd Year
- Work-Based Learning Opportunities
- 5 Current (Hillsdale, Kent, Oakland, Washtenaw, Roscommon)
- 5 New

DNR/ MRS Summer Project

- DNR Donation Creates Fund Source
- 3rd Year
- Summer Work-Based Learning
- 8 Weeks Paid
- 14 State Parks
- 60/80 Students have Benefited

MSU Collaborative Career Project

- Contribution from MSU Creates Fund Source
- 1st Year
- MRS Counselor Located on Campus
- Collaboration with RCPD, Career Services and Rehab Master Program

Adjudicated Youth

- Contribution from DHS Creates Fund Source
- 1st Year
- Navigators Bridge the Gap
- Two Sites (Maxey and
- Reduce Recidivism and Improve Employment Outcomes

PERT Program

- Comprehensive Vocational Assessment
- 3rd Year
- Summer Before Student Enters their Senior Year
- On the Campus of MCTI
- Prepares Student for Last Year of Transition Planning

MRS PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES

Employment Outcomes

1765 FY '12-'13



1681 FY '11-'12



1615 FY '10-'11



1504 FY '09-'10



1462 FY '08-'09

Average Wages Per Hour

3 years of data:

14 – 21 age group
\$8.77 → \$9.03 → \$8.78

22 – 25 age group
\$7.70 → \$7.62 → \$7.60

Average Hours Per Week

4 years of data:

14 – 21 age group

29 → 30 → 29 → 29

22 – 25 age group

21 → 21 → 21 → 23

MRS Resources

- **Transition - FAQ**
- **MRS Customer Guide to Continuing Education and Training After High School**
- **Michiganized Guideposts for Success**

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Questions